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JOURNAL LIGHTS

By FRANK BURKE

Friction In Local Unions—

One of the most deadly enemies of a local union, destroying its power to be of any value to the membership, creating a pleasant smile on the face of the boss, is where local unions (especially among its officers) permit factions to creep in; permit a local union to be divided, one side fighting the other. We cannot think of anything that smacks of as little intelligence as a condition of this kind. We hope men with vision do not permit it to occur. Men who believe in labor unions and know what labor unions are, realize that their interests are identical; that the teachings of unionism mean solidarity, and under no consideration would let it creep in.

It has come to our attention on a few occasions—and we are glad to say few, we wish we could say none — that friction does exist in some few places.

One Union's Strong Position—

The Monthly Labor Review of the United States bureau of labor statistics publishes in its current issue a summary of the work of the International Typographical Union which aught to interest all members of other unions: Thus:

"Of the 435 newspaper establishments in the United States and Canada which are members of the American Newspaper Publishers' association, 321 operate their composing rooms under a contract with a local of the International Typographical Union, and 51 others on a union basis without a contract.

"The 372 union establishments employ a total of 28,868 members, or 71 per cent of all typographical union members working on newspapers, 32.1 of the entire union membership. The 63 non-union establishments include 42 which are within the territorial jurisdiction of some I. T. U. local union, but operate on a non-union basis, and 21 which are located outside present I. T. U. local union jurisdictions.

"The 372 union establishments publish 455 daily newspapers and 192 Sunday newspapers. The non-union establishments within union jurisdiction produce 50 daily and 18 Sunday papers. The 21 establishments outside union jurisdiction publish 21 daily papers and one Sunday paper; the average circulation of these daily papers is small; being approximately 7,000."

The Townsend Plan—

You are hearing a lot of noise these days about the Townsend plan, and you can bet your life you are going to hear a lot more.

One thing that seems to concern the public press and our large financial interests more than anything else is, "how are you going to get twenty-four billion dollars out of the country's income; pay two hundred a month for old age pensions?" Yet the corporations of the country will take out twice that much, and they don't care a hoot whether the people of the country can stand it or not. That is all well and good as long as it goes to the money-changers in the temple. The only thing they are afraid of, in fact they are almost scared blind by it, is the twenty-four billion dollars that is going to be used for purchasing power, if the Townsend plan is adopted and made to stand instead of being used to keep up the twenty-five thousand American dwellers in the American colony in Paris, France, or furnish transportation to the rich men's families to present their daughters to the king of England, which will become quite a scramble; now that they are having a new king, and touring the great seas on pleasure yachts and many, many other pleasures. That would be terrible, turning it into foodstuffs for millions of starving people. It isn't civilization as the money-changers understand it.

One thing is certain: the people of the country are in the frame of mind they are going to have old-age pensions, unemployment insurance, whether they like it or not.

BUSINESS MEN

WHO APPRECIATE PATRONAGE OF UNION MEN AND WOMEN AND THEIR FAMILIES ADVERTISE IN ORGANIZED LABORS' OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER.

UNION MEN

OF ALAMEDA COUNTY EARN SIX MILLION DOLLARS MONTHLY AND ARE SPENDING THEIR UNION WAGES AT HOME WITH FRIENDS OF LABOR.

LABOR HERE TO TEST ANTI-PICKETING LAW

Compensation Law Support Asked By Engineers' Union

Requesting the support of state compensation insurance funds, Engineers' Union No. 59, sent the following letter to employers of the bay district:

To All Contractors:

The purpose, actuating the legislature in the enactment of the Workman's Compansation, Insurance and Safety act of 1935, is clearly defined in section (1) "Scope and Intent," which concluded with the following words—"with all the requisite governmental functions to determine any matter arising under the act to the end that the administration of this act shall accomplish substantial justice in all cases expediously, inexpensively and without incumbrance of any character; all of which matters contained in this section are expressly declared to be the social public policy of this state, binding on all departments of the state government."

Experiences encountered in the handling of cases of our injured members before the Industrial Accident commission, have exposed a seemingly, determined and well studied policy, by private insurance company carriers, to defeat the purpose and intent of the Workman's Compensation act. This studied policy has largely succeeded, by prolonged and repeated hearings and litigation, and by the almost total employment of the medical profession, in making it almost impossible for the injured workmen to secure the payment of compensation commensurate with the partial or total disability sustained in conformity with the provisions of the Workmen's Compensation act. And this, notwithstanding the fact that the toll upon industry for this protection is approximately 200% higher than it is under other well framed compensation acts, under which the awards for permanent disability is from 100% to 300% higher than that now possible under the California law.

Almost all of this discrepancy could be removed, to the preportionate advantage of industry and injured workmen alike, by the state-wide patronage of industry of the state compensation insurance fund. Such wide-spread patronage would result in lower rates upon industry for industrial accident insurance, and would give to injured workmen the humane protection which the framers of the act intended them to receive.

The state compensation insurance fund was created, primarily, as a check against exploitation of industry and injured workmen alike; but it cannot be fully effective without patronage and wholesome public support. Therefore, as a recognition of your interest in those injured in your employ, we respectfully ask and urge you to give to this matter the serious consideration it deserves and, all other features being equal, that you accord to injured workmen real protection by insuring with the state compensation insurance fund.

Respectfully submitted,
International Union of Operating Engineers, Hoisting and Portable, Local 59.
F. A. LAWRENCE,
Business Representative.

Richmond Painters To Give Smoker, March 20

Painters' Union No. 560 of Richmond, under the name of the London club, are holding their annual smoker, Friday evening, March 20, at 8 p. m. in Rossi's hall, Portrero and San Pablo avenue, El Cerrito.

Proceeds to go to the sick and relief fund of the union. Union members in Oakland are invited.

DEMAND THE UNION LABEL.

Picketing Is Continued In San Leandro

Peaceful picketing the non-union built Stanley Davis homes in San Leandro continued last Sunday despite the fact that an anti-picketing ordinance was passed by the city council only a few days previous. W. W. Paterson, representing the trades groups, stated he would contest the legality of the ordinance if any of the pickets were arrested; none of the pickets were arrested, however, and peaceful picketing will continue in the cherry city next Sunday also.

The Stanley Davis homes are being constructed on a non-union basis; those completed employed strictly non-union building mechanics at wage scales far below the prevailing wage scales in Alameda county. Union building trades mechanics intend to notify the general public of the non-union, low-wage policy of Stanley Davis and the "unfair" conditions under which his homes are constructed and for this reason pickets are placed near the buildings, telling the story through the columns of the Journal.

Friends and union members are asked to withdraw all support possible from the non-union built Stanley Davis homes, San Leandro.

Hayward Bottling Co. Refuse Union Standard

Refusing to meet the standards of Teamsters' Union, Local No. 70, the Hayward Bottling company, Hayward, California, was placed on the "We Don't Patronize" list of the teamsters' union yesterday.

All union labor men and friends are asked to refuse to patronize this firm until they agree to meet the union wage scales and conditions of the union teamsters and truck drivers.

Local Dance Operates On Non-Union Basis

Al Morris, business representative of Musicians' Union No. 6, reports the dances sponsored by the Oklahoma club, in the Pacific building, continues its operation on a non-union basis, employing non-union musicians throughout.

Union members and friends have been requested by Morris to stay away from all non-union dances and especially those conducted by the Oklahoma club. This club, we are informed, is continually losing patronage because of operating non-union.

Teamsters Sign Up Peterson Tallow Co.

Teamsters' Union, Local No. 70, today signed up the Peterson Tallow company, Butchertown, Emeryville, according to information received from Charles W. Real, secretary of the union.

"This firm is now strictly union," Real said, "and should be given the full sppport of organized labor."

Union Made Stetson Hats

Don't be confused when purchasing a union made hat. A union made Stephen L. Stetson hat can now be purchased in Oakland. It is a 100 per cent union made product.

The Stephen L. Stetson hats are in no way connected with the non-union product of John B. Stetson. Always look for the union hatters' label; don't be fooled by imitation labels.

This union made hat can be purchased at McNutt's store, 1302 Broadway, Oakland.

EDITORIAL

SUPPRESSING FACTS ON LOW LABOR STANDARDS

According to disclosures in Washington, Secretary of Commerce Roper has suppressed the report revealing the extent to which employers have reduced wages and hours since the NRA codes were abolished by the ruling of the supreme court declaring the National Industrial Recovery act unconstitutional.

The committee to make the survey was appointed by President Roosevelt shortly after the act was invalidated. Its members are Captain W. P. Roberts impartial chairman; Assistant Secretary of Commerce Ernest G. Draper; Commissioner of Labor Statistics Isador Lubin; H. Ferris White, former NRA division administrator, representing industry, and Father Francis J. Haas, former national labor board member, representing labor.

It is claimed the document reveals that most of the forty-four industries which the committee studied have lengthened the work week from four to eight hours since the destruction of the codes and that extra pay for overtime is very rare.

The report also discloses it is alleged, that workers in well organized industries have suffered less from the outlawing of the NRA than workers in either unorganized industries or company union industries.

In his order setting up the committee, President Roosevelt said:

"Information should be collected through field offices and other available sources under such supervision that reports sent to Washington can be checked, compiled and put in form for appropriate publication with assurance that they are accurate and as comprehensive as possible.

"It should be emphasized that the purpose of this work is the gathering and publication of reliable information and to counteract propaganda from private sources which may be designed to promote a special interest."

It is understood the report was completed a number of weeks ago. Organized employers continue to boast about the high living standards they grant to their employes without the so-called "regimentation" established under the National Industrial Recovery act. There can be no valid objection to an official statistical picture of those standards. The report should be made public.

Akron Strikers Receive $2,000

President William Green of the American Federation of Labor reported that he had sent the striking employes of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber company at Akron, Ohio, $2,000. Two American Federation of Labor organizers, he added, had been allocated to Akron to work with the United Rubber Workers of America in the interest of the strikers. The union sanctioned the strike after it had started over a request for a three-day notice for lay-offs.

Machinists Continue Strike at Engine Co. And Local Shipyards

Machinists' union here were still picketing the plant of the Atlas Diesel Engine company, where some 325 men walked out last week when machinists were discharged for joining a union. The men are organized 100 per cent and the strike is most effective, machinists' officials state.

Before the men return to work the union scale must be adhered to and the 40-hour work-week agreement reached, the officials say.

Another controversy that has not been adjusted to date is at the local shipyards. The machinists are striking for pre-depression wages and the shorter work week.

Justice Dowling Holds New York Unemployment Insurance Law Is Valid

The constitutionality of the New York state unemployment insurance law was upheld in a decision handed down by Supreme Court Justice William F. Dowling in the case brought by E. C. Stearns & Company, and W. H. H. Chamberlin, Inc., both of Syracuse.

Although upholding the constitutionality of the law in general, Justice Dowling criticized a portion of it which he interpreted as permitting the payment of benefits to employes "who have been discharged for incompetency, sabotage or theft or those who have voluntarily left their employment or who have withdrawn from it by reason of strike, lockout or other industrial controversies."

He held that such payments are "arbitrary, unreasonable, unjustifiable, discriminatory and constitute the taking of property without due process." He suggested "the legislature should remedy that situation by appropriate legislation."

Attorneys for the two companies announced that they would appeal Justice Dowling's decision to the court of appeals.

Wisconsin Paid $420,000 For Pensions In January

Pensions paid out in the 71 counties of Wisconsin during January totaled nearly $420,000, tabulations at the pension department indicate.

State Engineers Meeting Called April 26, Fresno

The California state branch of engineers, composed of representatives of all California labor unions affiliated with the international union of operating engineers, will meet in Fresno April 26, according to F. A. Lawrence, local representative of Engineers' Union No. 59.

These meetings, Lawrence said, are held to discuss the wage scales on the central valley water project and to devise ways and means of bringing about the union wage scale on the job. The wage scales now incorporated in the contracts are much lower than the union scales.

All engineers' unions have protested the low scales to the federal government and to the American Federation of Labor. Wm. Green, president of the federation, has requested Secretary Ickes to arrange a conference with Mr. Young, engineer on the central valley project, and union labor representatives of California.

Other meetings of the state branch of engineers will be held with the State Building Trades Council and the California State Federation of Labor to bring about an adjustment on the project.

Applications For Eagles' Class Asked

Union labor men filling out their applications for the union labor class, March 30, should make their returns as early as possible to the office of Oakland Aerie No. 7, in the Blake block, 12th and Washington streets.

For the past three weeks a committee from the Eagles has visited most of the labor unions asking union labor men to affiliate with the order.

The Fraternal Order of Eagles has passed compensation and old-age pension laws in 38 states and was one of the fraternal organizations that supported the national social security act. It is a working man's organization through and through.

You still have time to make out your application. Call the Journal office for one at once.

Jackson Longshoremen Determined to Organize

It is announced by the International Longshoremen's Association's branch office in Jacksonville, Fla., that local port workers are determined to organize effectively to improve their lot. It is said that longshoremen in organized sourthern ports get 65 cents to 90 cents an hour, while the same firms pay local men as low as 25 cents and 35 cents an hour. Seventy-five per cent of the nation's ports are now organized, according to union officials. Local organization is progressing rapidly, and, through effective organization, it is believed the lot of the workers can be materially improved without serious difficulty.

Union Man Named As Labor Law Inspector

It is believed a significant victory for organized labor was gained in Detroit, Mich., with the appointment of Orville R. Patterson as inspector of laws for the Michigan department of labor and industry. Patterson, a union man all of his working life, was president of the local metal polishers' union when the appointment was made. Inadequate enforcement of labor laws has been freely charged in the labor press and among unionists and it is hoped that Patterson's appointment will have a salutary effect.

Union Labor of Alameda County to Test Validity of Anti-Picketing Laws; Court Upholds Labor Rights in Previous Cases

Laws Are Passed Without Proper Procedure; Labor Is "Hit Hard" by Ordinances, While Others Are Protected; Discriminatory in Every Respect.

A test of the legality of the anti-picketing laws in cities in Alameda county will soon be tested by organized labor here, union officials announced at labor council meetings this past week.

These anti-labor acts, union chiefs believe, are unconstitutional in every respect and are placed upon the law books for one purpose, that purpose the officials state, is to retard the efforts of the working people when hours, wages and working conditions are involved during labor disputes.

Only recently, in the city of San Leandro, an ordinance was passed by the city council prohibiting peaceful picketing; this ordinance was given first, second and third reading at the same meeting when legally five days should elapse before the third reading comes before the council and the ordinance made a law. These tactics, along with the many other ways of slowing up the working man's progress, are becoming more frequent each day, and organized labor must act at once to stop this un-American procedure, the officials say.

A few months ago, in the city of Alameda, the moving picture operators' union was upheld by the court in peaceful picketing of a non-union theater; in Oakland a short time back the courts rendered a favorable decision to the union in the famous "Rainbow cafe" case. In several outstanding picketing cases in eastern cities the courts have upheld the right of peaceful picketing.

With these facts in mind and with the many set-backs organized labor has witnessed, due to the anti-picketing laws, union labor of Alameda county, through the executive committees of the Central Labor and Building Trades Councils will meet in special session tomorrow evening, in the Pacific building, to discuss and devise ways and means of eliminating these un-American, discriminatory and unconstitutional laws from the law books of the east bay cities.

N. Y. WPA Workers Get Large First Aid Unit

Forty Clinics Provided With Physicians and Registered Nurses.

The 252,000 people employed on various WPA projects in New York City now have the protection and care of a first aid unit, composed of 1,600 experts working under the direction of 40 physicians.

This unit is said to be the first of its kind established among WPA workers anywhere in the United States. Its destines are guided by Dr. W. T. Carstarpen, director of the medical department of the works progress administration, and is reported to have been approved by Administrator Victor A. Ridder and Washington officials of the WPA.

An inspector has been provided, who will make regular inspections of the first aid units in the five boroughs of Greater New York and see that they are prepared to render an efficient service promptly. Those employed in the first aid units receive 85 cents an hour.

Forty clinics are being opened, each with adequate supplies for taking care of most injuries and each will be in charge of a physician and a registered nurse. Three physicians and a number of nurses have also been assigned to home work, regular visits to incapacited employes being planned.

Notwithstanding the vastness of the unit, only about $10,000 is being expended for medical equipment and supplies. Workers seriously injured will be taken from the zone clinic to Marine hospital, Staten Island, or to the government hospital on Ellis Island. Lieut. K. E. Thomas, named as the unit's supervisor, stated:

"Some of the men on WPA receive only $12.50 a week. Consequently, car fare is provided so injured men can seek further treatment at clinics, without additional hardship."

Member of 507 Dies

Charles P. Connell, member of Engineers' Union No. 507, for the past 15 years, was killed while on duty at the Sunset Lumber company last Friday. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon under the auspices of Oakland Lodge No. 188, A. F. of M.

U. S. Court Postpones Greyhound Case Hearing

The hearing on the Pennsylvania Greyhound Bus lines case involving the constitutionality of the Wagner-Connery labor disputes act was deferred by the United States circuit court of appeals until its April term.

Last December, Robert B. Watts, counsel for the national labor relations board, asked Federal Judges J. Whitaker Thompson, J. Warren Davis and Joseph Buffington, Jr., for early action on the case in order to hasten it to the supreme court of the United States.

The court set March 2 for arguments, but ordered another postponement when the case was reached.

The national labor relations board brought the case before the circuit court appeals asking for a ruling to enforce its order to the bus lines to desist from certain "unfair labor practices," of which the board after a thorough investigation had found the bus lines guilty. The findings alleged that the company had dismissed some of its employes because of their union membership.

Government attorneys were of the opinion that the delay decreed by the circuit court of appeals probably means the Wagner act will not reach the United States supreme court before the autumn term.

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Joint Executive Meeting Called For Saturday Eve.

A joint executive board meeting of the Central Labor and Building Trades Councils of Alameda county will meet in special session Saturday evening, March 14, 1936, in the office of the Central Labor Council, Pacific building, 16th and Jefferson streets, Oakland at 8 o'clock sharp.

All members of both boards are especially requested to be in attendance as this is an important meeting.

Signed:
WILLIAM A. SPOONER,
W. W. PATERSON.

Painters' Union Special Notice

Members of Painters' Union No. 127 are hereby notified that a special assessment of 50 cents will be levied against beneficial members who do not attend meetings at least once a month.

Your due book will be punched, so bring it along with you when attending meetings.

This assessment takes affect on and after April 1, 1936. This is your official notice. No excuse accepted.

AL WAHLBERG, Secretary.

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WISE USE OF PURCHASING POWER

All wage earners, all farmers who do their own work, all people in business for themselves, but who do all the work connected with it are all members of the great army of labor. The pay of the wage earner is the wage or salary received. The pay of the farmer is what he gets for his produce and the pay of the man in business who does his own work is the returns he realizes for his efforts.

This gigantic army of human beings makes up an overwhelming majority of our people. Whenever this army of labor is fully solidified and organized its members will learn to pull together, instead of knifing each other. They will then all be able to advance as far as existing conditions make possible. When this is done they will all do better than they now are doing.

Little or no headway can be made until those who labor for a livlihood develop an attitude of mind which will lead them rigorously to practice the golden rule of being as willing to have their neighbor do as well as they are or would like to be doing themselves, not only with words, but translated into every purchase they make with their earnings.

Some people are so constituted that they are capable voluntarily to practice these principles independently. But the great mass of people are so thoughtless, indifferent and sluggish, when it comes to recognizing the duties they owe others, that it requires organization of the most effective type to put such principles into practice.

Many people will fall down on doing their share, unless a severe penalty must be paid for failure to do what one has pledged to do. Even with penalities staring them in the face, those who occupy our penitentiaries represent individuals with whom even the prospective penalty did not deter them from wrong doing.

These failings and weaknesses of human beings, which are just as common with all kinds and classes of humans as they are with those who labor for a livlihood, decrease the total good, which is possible, but these violations of both established civil laws and flagrant breaches of even more binding moral laws do not prevent the remainder of the human race from practicing right principles towards one another and by so doing actually accomplish nearly as large a total result for the good of all as would be accomplished if every last member of society was doing his or her full duty.

Reduced to concrete reality this simply means that all who have money to spend hold it in their power to make every cent of it count for the good and upbuilding of the conditions of our fellow beings. As a rule this does not cost a penny more than patronizing those who are chiseling on all forms of labor, with which they come in contact and by so doing are lowering the general standard of living, decreasing the sum total of purchasing power and in the final analysis are even lowering the sum total of business it is possible for themselves to do.

Whenever people buy goods that have been produced under union standards instead of sweatshop standards they are simply practicing this principle of helping to create better conditions for others and increasing the number of human beings who may enjoy them. The best guarantee of such imporved standards is the union label.

All labor is not yet organized to the point where the union label is displayed on their products, but all labor should be working towards this end and where no label is used as yet the same principles can be attained by ascertaining the conditions under which goods purchased may have been produced.

It is one thing to have purchasing power, but it is a better proposition to so use that purchasing power that every expenditure contributes to bettering the general standard of living of all our fellow beings. This renders our own conditions more secure and makes it easier for us to improve them.

Ask for the union label. Demand it in season and out of season. Hunt for it till you find it and let merchants know that you are not in the market to buy unless the emblem of good standards of living for those who produced the goods are attached to them. This is the wisest and best use that human beings can make of their purchasing power.

Let the common people practice the democracy they now have. If they ever want to have a fair deal and a square deal they will never have it handed to them on a platter. They must step into the citadel of power and take their just dues by sheer force of the majority asserting themselves in ways that cannot be misunderstood and which will be heeded because expressed in such a way that the will of the majority of the people must be obeyed.

AUXILIARY NOTES

HOW THE WOMEN ARE HELPING THROUGH THEIR ORGANIZATIONS

Carpenters' Auxiliary No. 160

Ladies' Auxiliary of Carpenters No. 160 met Tuesday afternoon at 1:30, with a good attendance.

We were all very sorry to accept Sister Lindholm's resignation as financial secretary, Sister Hess being elected in her place. Sister Tessie O'Leary also resigned as press correspondent, Betty Shumake filling her place.

Sister Edith Knott will have a social and luncheon at her home at 542 34th street at 12 noon on Tuesday, March 17, and we hope all the members will be present. Cards will be played in the afternoon.

Next meeting of the auxiliary will be held in Carpenters' hall, 761 12th street, on Tuesday, April 7, at 1:30 o'clock.

The social which is to be held at Sister Hess' house has been changed to April 21, at which time luncheon will be served at 12 noon. We hope we will see you all there.

BETTY SHUMAKE, Press Cor.

Auxiliary No. 38-44

Ladies auxiliary to Local 38-44, I. L. A., organized some six months ago—meet every first and third Monday at 2 o'clock in the Odd Fellows building, 11th and Franklin streets.

The officers are: president, Mrs. M. H. Garrett; vice president, Mrs. P. Aquilina; treasurer, Mrs. Lucille Baker, and secretary Mrs. Edna Doyle.

On Friday evening, March 13, the auxiliary is sponsoring a benefit whist party at Odd Fellows hall, at 8 p. m. Tickets are 25 cents, and the proceeds go to the striking warehousemen in Hayward. All members of organized labor are invited. Refreshments will be served also.

Notes of Ladies' Auxiliary to I. A. of M. No. 97

Next regular meeting will be March 13. The social committee has something planned. Come out and join in the fun.

The past presidents' club will hold a silver tea at the home of Sadie Taylor, on Tuesday, March 17. Refreshments will be served from 1 to 2 p. m. Games to follow.

This social is to benefit the cedar chest. A good time is assured all who attend.

The officers met at the home of President O'Leary on March 4. Subjects of importance to the auxiliary were discussed, after which a delightful lunch was served. The table decorations were green, in keeping with the month.

To Members With Children

All children, to and including 12 years must be re-registered with the secretary, Mrs. Elsie Clements. This is for the Christmas tree. Please do this in order that we may have an accurate list. It is up to you to see that your child is not overlooked.

Sister Foley was called to the southern part of the state to attend the funeral of her niece. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

Typographical Auxiliary No. 26

Into the capable hands of Mrs. Ross D. Ewing will go the administration of affairs of this auxiliary for the coming year as the result of an unopposed nomination vote, naming her to succeed Mrs. J. A. Forster as president, at the regular business meeting held Thursday afternoon, March 5.

The six other elective offices of the auxiliary were filled in the same manner, thereby eliminating the necissity for balloting on candidates for these offices. They are: Mrs. H. B. Lawson, vice president; Mrs. J. J. Chaudet, secretary; Mrs. Don F. Hurd, treasurer; Mrs. H. C. Closson, chaplain; Mrs. P. T. Johnson, guide, and Mrs. Robert Trumbly, press correspondent.

New officers will be installed at the clubhouse on the afternoon of March 16, during a social session between the hours of 11 and 3,

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WE DON'T PATRONIZE

The following persons and firms after a thorough examination into the causes at issue, have been deemed unworthy of the patronage of members of organized labor and their friends.

Bakeries

O. K. Bakery, 5114 E. 10th Street
Luzitania, 10415 E. 14th Street
Nieto Bakery, 1036 D. St., Hayward
Cottage, 939 B Street, Hayward
New Athens, 1651 Seventh Street
Foster's White Lunches
Verzie's Home Bakery, Hayward
Dad's Cookie Co., 414 23rd Ave.

Boot and Shoe Repair Shops

Sears-Roebuck Shoe Repairing Dept.
Gray's Shoe Repairing Shop, 1606 San Pablo Avenue
Zinke's Shoe Repairing Shops

Cleaning and Dyeing Establishments

Mission Cleaners, 3822 Manila St.
Drake Cleaners
Duplex Cleaners
Campanille Cleaners
Club Cleaners
White Front Cleaners

Printing and Newspaper Plants

E. A. Hudson Printing Co., 841 Market Street.
Piedmont Press, 3953 Piedmont
West Coast Printing Co., 467 4th
McKee,Abbott, Hall-White Printing Co., 2041 Livingston Street

Theaters

Lincoln Theater, 1620 7th Street
Moulin Rouge Theater, 485 8th St.
Royal Theater, 9717 E. 14th St.

Meats, Ham and Bacon

Storms, 3110 Seminary Ave.
Storms, 8600 Blanche St.
Storms, 645 Bancroft, San Lean.
Corby's Meat Market, 2115 University Avenue, Berkeley
Ruebling Meat Market, 3803 San Pablo Avenue, Emeryville
Kessler's, 6th Street Market
Kessel Bros., 6th Street Market
All Oriental Markets

Restaurants and Cafeterias

Caliente Cafe, 1338 E. 12th St.
Hanson's Coffee Shop, 5725 E. 14th St.
Yale Coffee Shop, 17th and Telegraph
Hub's, 3100 E. 14th Street
Tom and Ted's, 1752 Broadway
S. H. Kress Stores
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Steel Concern Bolts Labor Board Hearing

Chairman Madden Overrules Jones & Laughlin's Contention Company Is Outside Jurisdiction.

The Jones & Laughlin Steel corporation left the hearing held by the national labor relations board, Pittsburgh, Pa., after challenging the underlying principles of the Wagner-Connery labor disputes act.

The case arose from a complaint filed with the board by the amalgamated association of iron, steel, and tin workers charging that the corporation had fired 12 employes for joining the union. The board cited the company to appear at the hearing held to consider the complaint.

At the opening of the hearing Attorney Earl F. Reed, representing the steel concern, attacked the Wagner act and the labor board on four points.

He claimed the steel corporation is not engaged in interstate commerce and consequently is without the jurisdiction of the labor board; that its employes do not come under the federal regulations; that the company has the right to employ and discharge workers as it sees fit, and that the board acting as both prosecutor and judge denies the defendant the right of trial by jury.

J. Warren Madden, chairman of the labor board, first developed evidence on the jurisdictional challenge. Fifty exhibits designed to show the corporation was engaged in interstate commerce were presented by Robert W. Watts, associate general counsel for the board.

Following this evidence, Mr. Reed presented two witnesses to support the claim that steel manufacturing is intra-state, and then moved to dismiss the complaint.

Mr. Madden replied:

"The board is definitely committed to the doctrine that an enterprise of this character with its supplemental labor matters comes within the scope of the law."

Mr. Reed and two associates thereupon left the room.

Despite the withdrawal of the steel company's counsel, the board proceeded with the presentation of evidence in connection with the company's alleged discrimination against employes because of their union membership, a practice which is declared to be illegal by the Wagner labor relations act.

Alameda Electric Dept. Turns Over $168,909 to The City for 10 Months

That the bureau of electricity is an increasingly profitable enterprise for the citizens of Alameda is revealed by a compilation showing that since June 30, 1935 it has turned over to the city $168,909 up to March 1, 1936.

This brings the payments made by the bureau to the city in the past 10 years to $1,142,004.

Since establishment of the municipal electric plant, dividends and payments to the city government have aggregated approximately $2,150,000.

In addition to the sum already paid, $16,500 more which is already appropriated will be turned over to the city before the end of this fiscal year.

A pamphlet "The Electric Flash," gives in detail activities of the electrical department of Alameda.

Applications for Pensions Overwhelm Texas Officials

The Texas old-age assistance commission completely underestimated the demand for old-age pension under the recent law. At first the commission distributed 200,000 application forms to authorized agencies throughout the state They were grabbed up so quickly that an additional 100,000 were ordered.

Pensions are payable to persons 65 years old who satisfy the requirements of the law. It was pointed out that many of the applications had to be returned because they were not made out with ink or on a typewriter. One applicant, giving the addresses of his six children, said three of them were in jail.

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Central Labor Council Minutes

Oakland, Calif., March 9, 1936.

The regular meeting of the Central Labor Council of Alameda county was called to order on the above date at the hour of 8:00 p. m., by President William P. Fee. Delegates were noted as present.

Credentials—

Credentials were received and accepted.

Communications—

From the journeymen tailors' union, requesting that the Dundee Clothing store, 1224 Broadway, be placed on the official "We Don't Patronize" list. Referred to the executive committee.

From labor's co-operative committee of Alameda county, relative to the repeal of anti-picketing ordinances. Referred to the executive committee .

From the Brotherhood of Teamsters' Union, Local No. 70, requesting that the Peterson Tallow company be removed from the official "We Don't Patronize" list. Request ordered complied with.

From the American Federation of Labor, requesting that organized labor refrain from purchasing any of the products manufactured by the Morrell Packing company. Ordered published in the East Bay Labor Journal.

From the Young Men's Christian association of the University of California, asking the possibility of having a few University of California Y. M. C. A. students attending regular meetings of the council as fraternal delegates. Referred to the executive committee.

From the Kostway Co-Operative, Inc., requesting the appointment of a committee of five to work with their organization. Request complied with and committee appointed.

From the Culinary Workers' Union, Local No. 31, same being a resolution requesting that the members of the state board of prison terms to carefully consider the facts and circumstances involved in the conviction of five men and three women convicted in the superior court of Sacramento about a year ago for violation of the criminal syndicalism law, said persons now being confined in prison. The resolution was concurred in.

From the American Radio Telegraphists' association, requesting the adoption of a resolution protesting the passage of senate bill 3954 now before congress and which is considered as anti-labor legislation. The resolution was adopted.

A resolution was then read submitting certain proposals regarding anti-picketing ordinances to the end that the validity of same may be tested in the courts and other suggestions regarding the expenses incurred in connection with the subject matter. A motion was made that the resolution be adopted. After discussion an amendment was made that the subject matter be referred to the executive committee. The amendment was adopted.

Bills—

Bills were referred to the trustees and paid on their recommendation.

Reports of Committees —

The report of the executive committee and the recommendations submitted was then read and concurred in.

WPA Committee—

The WPA committee made its report and asked the council to endorse a conference of unemployed groups sponsored by the public works and unemployed union to be held April 26, 1936, and that local unions be requested to send delegates. Motion was then made and carried that we concur in the report of the committee.

Motion was then made and adopted that we communicate with the San Francisco Labor Council and ask if there is any way that we can co-operate with their Tom Mooney committee in order that we may co-ordinate our efforts.

Motion was then made that a special meeting of the executive board be called during the coming week for the purpose of considering the matter of the anti-picketing ordinances. The motion was adopted.

Approval of Minutes—

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as published in the East Bay Labor Journal by adding the following words to the action on the communication received from the committee on industrial organization in response to a recent communication received from the American Federation of Labor: "and published in the East Bay Labor Journal."

Adjournment—

The council then dispensed with its regular order of business in order that the delegates could hear an address by Mr. Haakon Chevalier on the subject "Workers' Social Insurance Act" introduced to the present session of congress by United States Senator Frazier.

Respectfully submitted,
W. A. SPOONER, Secretary.

Labor Man a Candidate For City Councilman In The City of Albany, Calif.

The Journal was notified today that Vincent T. Hanahan, a member of organized labor for 20 years, and for the past 10 years a member of Oakland Printing Pressmen's Union No. 125, is a candidate for councilman in the city of Albany. The election will be held April 13.



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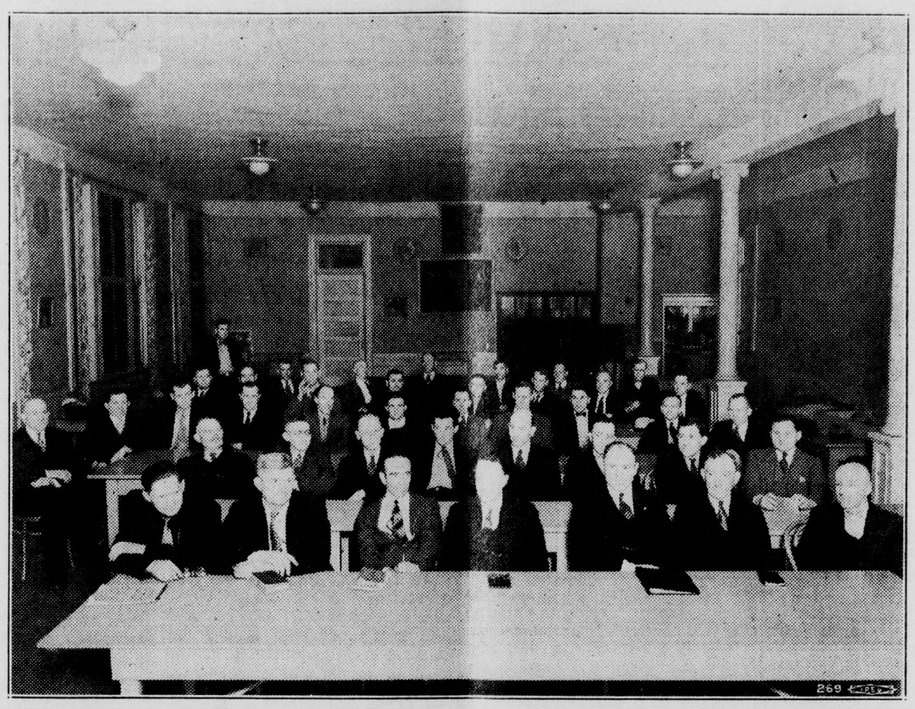
Vince, as he is familiarly called by his many friends, has been actively interested in the educational advancement of his fellow-craftsmen for many years, and has been honored this year for his work by being elected president of the east bay club of printing house craftsmen, an outstanding educational club of the printing industry.

He has the endorsement of the Albany Civic league, an organized group of representative citizens of that city, who feel the working man's interests should be represented on the city council and have placed their stamp of approval on him for that reason.

Three vacancies in the city council will be filled at the forthcoming election. The other two candidates endorsed by the civic league are O. C. Yenne, Albany merchant, and George Batchelder, mechanical engineer. Both are heartily in accord with policies advanced by Hanahan for the best interest of the working people of that city, it is reported.

If labor unionists should consistently demand the union label, manufacturers would eventually have to demand that their workers unionize.

Engineers Attending Class At Central Trades School



Members of Engineers' Union No. 507 attending school class at Central Trades school in Oakland. General duties of a stationary engineer is the course taken by the union members. Classes are held every Wednesday and Friday evenings. Sixty members of the union are enrolled in the class. F. B. Fulmer is instructor.

Prison Board Asked To Fix Minimum Term On Five Men, 3 Women

The following resolution was requested published in the Journal by the Central Labor Council of Alameda county:

Resolution

Whereas, Five men and three women were convicted in the superior court of the county of Sacramento about a year ago for violation of the criminal syndicalism act, and said persons are now confined in prison; and

Whereas, Said persons were acquitted of the charge committing any act of violence, and it therefore appears that said persons are being solely imprisoned for holding certain political and econmic opinions, and attempting organization of agricultural workers of our state; and

Whereas, Organized labor, many newspapers and prominent citizens have repeatedly urged repeal of the criminal syndicalism act; now therefore be it

Resolved, That San Francisco Labor Council herewith petitions the state board of prison terms to carefully consider all the facts and circumstances and the law involved in the above convictions and fix the sentences of said persons at the minimum term allowed by law; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the three members of the board, namely Hon. Frank C. Sykes, Kohl building, San Francisco; Hon. Joseph H. Stephens, president, Sacramento Merchants' National bank, Sacramento, and Hon. David F. Bush, Oakdale, California, and copies be given to the press.

Adopted by the Central Labor Council of Alameda county, March 9, 1936.

WM. A. SPOONER, Secretary.

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A lot of dumb questions
You've answered before.

But don't be discouraged,
Were Christ here today,
He'd just be a carpenter
On WPA.

—GLENN FRAZIER.
Los Angeles Citizen.

Resettlement Projects Make Homes for 14,000

Officials of the resettlement administration report that 3,000 families, comprising approximately 14,000 persons, are living on resettlement community projects. Fifty-three projects are already completed and 20 others are in process of construction.

Notes of Auto Mechanics

The by-laws committee, headed by Chairman Klose, made its report at the meeting held March 10. This meeting was one of the largest held in many months.

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Many new members were initiated by the local during the past month with several applications on file.

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Here is a special announcement that all members are asked to read:

Contrary to rumors, in regard to the dealers' agreement, that it has been settled on the 85 cents an hour basis and that the men are satisfied, the union has not reached an understanding with the employers as yet and no agreement will be signed unless the 90 cents an hour clause is inserted in the agreement.

Officers of the union are giving their whole-hearted support to the members in this respect and any further negotiations with the employers will be reported to the union. This understanding was reached when 500 members of the union voted unanimously to place their confidence in the committee, so come to all meetings and hear the committee's report.

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Milwaukee Cleaners Win Good Increase In Wages

An increase in hourly pay of 5 per cents, with corresponding increases for salaried workers getting under $30 a week, has averted a strike which for a time threatened to shut down at least 20 plants.

The cleaners' and dyers' union, according to Fred Warfel, business representative, by a vote of acceptance of the 5 per cent offer ended strikes which were already in effect in two plants.

Time and a half will be paid for overtime and any additional employes hired during the life of the new contract will join the union. An arbitration board has been set up and most plants have agreed to the closed shop. It is reported that about 80 per cent of the employes are members of the union.

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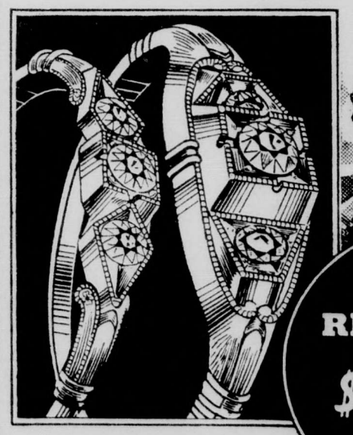
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Unemployment Census Planned For Next Year

The business advisory council, composed of 50 prominent business men who offer advice to the government, particularly the commerce department, is reported to favor an unemployment census and a plan for such an undertaking in 1937 is said to be under serious consideration in official quarters.

No physical count of the unemployed has actually been taken since 1930, although the scientific estimates of the American Federation of Labor are generally accepted as sound and these now show the unemployed to number about 12,600,000.

The administraton of unemployment insurance by the social security board would eventually bring out the desir figures, it is believed, altho several years might be required. Proponents of an early census indicate that 1937, after the election is over, would eliminate any assumption of political expediency and provide an accurate count long before it could otherwise be obtained.



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144 Firms Scrap NRA Pay Scales

A total of 1,448 firms holding government contracts and employing 405,000 workers did not maintain the wage and hour provisions of the NRA codes after the United States supreme court declared the National Industry Recovery act unconstitutional, according to a survey by the federal contract division of the NRA.

The figures were submitted to the department of labor and Representative Arthur D. Healy, chairman of the house judiciary subcommittee, which is planning to hold hearings on the Walsh bill authorizing the inclusion of provisions for maintaining specified wages and hour standards in government contracts.

The investigation covered 3,507 firms holding contracts for government work. A total of 147 firms with 132,699 employes refused to make replies to the government's questionnaire. Maintenance of code wages and hour schedules was reported for 1,912 concerns employing about 977,000 persons.

With regard to wages the survey found that 1,480 companies reduced code rates and that 1,821 maintained them. Wage reductions of 10 per cent or more were imposed on their employes by 635 concerns, and cuts of less than 10 percent were decreed by 845 concerns.

Code hours were increased by 1,309 companies and maintained by 2,127 companies. Increases of 15 percent or more were made by 505 companies, while 804 companies limited the increase to less than 15 percent.

The figures in the survey were arranged by industries. It was limited to companies with whom the government had contractural dealings under the NRA.

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FLASHES FROM UNIONS

By A. BUZZER

Speaking about society:

The butchers' union here is sending out invitations to its many friends for their coming social dance and entertainment to be held March 21, in the Persian Gardens, on Grand avenue. Only by invitation will admission be allowed. Strictly society, we must say.

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Here's another one:

A certain young prominent union secretary, and by the way, he's now working for the Telephone company, is planning on joining the benedicts sometime during June, I'm told. Bill don't say much about it but his "red headed" bride-to-be blushes every time June is mentioned. Sorry you can't keep a secret, Bill. The society buzzer knows all and sees all—so be careful.

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O. A. Rowan, of the carmen's union, is busy attending to two jobs; one with the San Francisco carmen and the other with the local union. Rowan is an international officer and has taken charge of the San Francisco boys until the controversy "in the union" can be adjusted. I'm told that Rowan is all swelled up over his new adventures and whisperings have it that he may be the next organizer for the western district.

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J. S. (Blackie) Miller, the business representative of Painters' Union No. 127, will celebrate another birthday next Sunday. Miller will not, however, celebrate his birthday at home this year.

Sunday is picketing day for the boys of the trades groups, in San Leandro. Miller, I'm told, will be on the picket line Sunday with the rest of the boys, but what happens after 5 p. m. I'm not able to predict. It is said that Miller has invited all the pickets to his home in the evening. His home is at 1236 58th avenue.

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Here's what happens in the Journal office regularly every Monday:

B. S. Sanders, labor columnst for the Post Enquirer, heads straight for the water jar, and how he does drink that sparkling certified drinking water. Can't say why, but it just happens.

Another fellow that likes our sparkling water is Sam Donohue of the plumbers' union. The only difference with Sam is that he brings along his own drinking cup. 'Nough said.

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1,229,000 More Out of Work In January, Green

Unemployment has recently struck 1,229,000 more workers, increasing the jobless army from 11,397,000 to 12,626,000, according to the statement on unemployment made public by William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor.

As a major element entering into this large addition to America's out-of-works Mr. Green cited the lengthening of the work week in industry three hours during the last half of 1935.

"Unemployment increased more in January 1936, than in any other January for the last five years, according to the estimate of the American Federation of Labor," Mr. Green said. "Between December, 1935, and January, 1936, unemployment rose from 11,397,000 to 12, 626,000, an increase of 1,229,000. Unemployment always rises in January ,but last year the increase was only 699,000 and the last time there has been an increase approaching that of this year was in January, 1931, when 1,328,000 were added to the unemployed."

"How much of this employment loss is due to lengthening of work hours it is not yet possible to tell," Mr. Green continued. "It seems probable that longer hours have been an important factor, for records covering the months from July to December, 1935, show that the work-week in industry generally has been lengthened by three hours and that as a consequence more than 1,000,000 possible jobs were lost. Undoubtedly this movement to lengthen hours instead of employing men, which followed termination of NRA, has continued into January and accounts in part for the present situation."

Millions of Immigrants Here Illegally, Is Claim

Comprehensive legislation to bar undesirables from the United States has been urged upon congress by Senator Reynolds of North Carolina, who contends there are 3,-500,000 aliens in this country who are ineligible even to apply for citizenship.

Senator Reynolds asserted that America has the "worst immigration laws" of any country in the world, and particularly pointed to England's rigid restrictions against pauper immigrants.

Palo Alto School Teachers Organize In Strong Unions

The school teachers of Palo Alto have enrolled themselves in a union. Seventy-five were present at the first meeting. Delegates were elected to the Building Trades-Central Labor Council. The local is known as Palo Alto Teachers No. 442.

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Auxiliary Notes

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commemorating the close of our 26th year. All members are urged to attend this important meeting and it is requested that each member bring a couple of sandwiches so that there will be no necessity for the naming of a serving committee, thereby leaving all members equally free to enjoy this gala occasion.

In the evening a dinner will be served at Capri's restaurant. Husbands and friends are to be welcomed at this affair.

At the close of this year there are two outstanding facts of which we may justly feel proud. First, the remarkable gain in membership. When President Forster relinquishes the gavel on March 16, she will have obligated 35 new members during her term in office, and with six applications on file, our membership is now past the century mark, compared to a total of 62 at the beginning of the year. And second, the national recognition accorded No. 26 with the election last summer of Mrs. F. M. Chilson, former president of this local, to the office of trustee of the W. I. A.

Much credit is also due to that live group, the ways and means committee, who, under the direction of Mrs. Henry Gray, chairman, have done a fine job of keeping the finances of the auxiliary out of the red for a year.

With the expiration of her second term as secretary, Mrs. J. F. Patterson terminates a long and untiring period of years of service as an officer of this auxiliary. She has undoubtedly devoted more time to the cause than any other one member. She is a charter member of No. 26.

Among other business transacted at the March 5 meeting was a report by Mrs. Martin Miller, chairman of the label committee, that Dad's Cookies' company is on the unfair list.

It was voted to send $5.00 of the receipts of our February social day to the international for organization work.

Mrs. Mary Davis, chairman of the membership committe, won the trophy for securing three new members during the last drive. She turned the trophy back to the auxiliary to be used as a gift to the winner in some future contest.

Mrs. Russ Fay and Mrs. F. E. Woodard are proposed for membership.

Mrs. Helen Gustafson has the mumps.

"We boost the union label."

MRS. H. STAPLETON, Press Cor.

Ladies' Auxiliary to Union Labor Post 1917, V. F. W.

Saturday, March 28th is the date set for the public institution and installation of officers for the newly organized ladies' auxiliary to Union Labor Post 1917, V. F. W. The installing officer is Mrs. Laurie Schertle.

Installation will be held in the auditorium of Veterans' Memorial building at 200 Grand avenue at 8:30 o'clock.

County council of V. F. W. auxiliaries have been invited to do floor work. Many prominent people in veterans' and public affairs will be present as guests that evening.

All ladies who are eligible to be members to this auxiliary and who are interested in joining are asked to get in touch with the newly elected president, Mrs. Pansy Martin; phone OLympic 5779.

Thanks For Kindness

Through the columns of the East Bay Labor Journal, I express my deep appreciation to all unions and auxiliaries for the kindness shown me during my hour of sorrow. Your kindness and remembrance is something I shall always value. Again I thank you most heartily.

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Industrial Body Replys To A. F. L. Executive Board

To the Officers and Members of State Federations of Labor, Central Labor Unions, and directly affiliated Local Trade and Federal Labor Unions:

Greeting:—

The committee for industrial organization at a meeting on February 21st unanimously adopted a statement in response to the action of the A. F. of L. executive council in reference to our activities. Our statement likewise answers President Green's letter of February 7th to central labor bodies and directly affiliated local unions. In order to prevent misunderstanding of our position and to avoid division and discord, we are sending this statement to you for your information. The full text follows:

Wm. Green, President,
American Federation of Labor,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir and Brother:

"Having given careful consideration to the opinion of the executive council as expressed in its statement on our activities adopted at Miami, the members of the committee for industrial organization believe that continuance of the committee is not only fully justified but essential to the future growth of the American Federation of Labor.

"The executive council did not, according to your communication, find that the C. I. O. had taken any actions contrary to the constitution of the A. F. of L. or which went beyond our rights as representatives of over one-third of the members of the A. F. of L. The executive council expressed fears that the C. I. O. might become dual, though quoting no evidence to support these fears. We wish to emphasize again that we are trying to remove the roots of dualism by making it possible for the millions of mass production workers now outside the A. F. of L. to enter on the only basis they will accept—industrial unions.

"The A. F. of L. convention last fall instructed the executive council to extend A. F. of L. organization in autos, steel, and other mass-production industries, and it is precisely to this end that our efforts are directed. Many A. F. of L. affiliates in these industries testify that our activities have been of great value to them. We are forced to the conclusion that many of those who are trying to brand us falsely as dualists are themselves none too eager to see the unions in the mass-production industries grow in influence.

"In the instructions of the executive council to state federations of labor, city central bodies, and directly chartered federal labor unions, transmitted in President Green's letter of February 7th, there is an implication that the C. I. O. is attempting to usurp the functions of the A. F. of L. This is absolutely contrary to facts. These instructions likewise forbid these bodies to 'give allegiance, assist or support' to the C. I. O. We have not attempted to secure 'allegiance, assist or support' from such bodies since our efforts are directed towards increasing sentiment for industrial unionism in mass-production industries, not to build any organization within the A. F. of L. As we understand it, these instructions in no way affect the right of these directly affiliated bodies to go on record for industrial unionism, nor to seek aid from or spread the literature of our committee. Any attempt by the executive council to prevent such activities would be completely undemocratic and contrary to the policies of the labor movement.

"Our committee will be glad to meet the sub-committee of the executive council to discuss these vital problems further. We deeply regret that owing to the absence in Geneva of Brother Harrison, the sub-committee could not accept our invitation to meet with us at this time."

Fraternally yours,

John L. Lewis, President, United Mine Workers of America; Charles P. Howard, President, International Typographical Union; Sidney Hillman, President, Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America; David Dubinsky, President, International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union; Thomas F. McMahon, President, United Textile Workers of America; Harvey C. Fremming, President, Oil Field, Gas Well and Refinery Workers of America; M. Zaritsky, President, Cap and Millinery Department, United Hatters, Cap and Millinery Workers' International Union.

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